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PLEDGED TO FIGHT.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL MONDAY NIGHT.

Will Contest the Montclair-East Orange Sewer Scheme in the Courts — Would Injure this Town to Save Expense for Neighboring Towns — A Shy at the Governor.

Councilman Frederick Sadler, chairman of the sewer committee of the Town Council, offered the following resolution at the council meeting Monday night:

"Whereas, the governor of the State of New Jersey has seen fit to veto the bill passed by the Legislature through the efforts of the members of this council, ably assisted by the citizens and civic bodies of the said town of Bloomfield, which bill conferred upon the people of said town the privilege of controlling its own affairs by refusing permission to the neighboring municipalities of Montclair, Orange and East Orange to construct partially within the town limits works for the disposal of their sewage, and

"Whereas, the said neighboring municipalities have at their disposal various methods whereby they can dispose of their sewage by other methods, the only advantage accruing to them from the construction of said disposal works partly within the limits of this town being that they will be thereby able to dispose of their sewage at a less expense to themselves than by other methods, and

"Whereas, the town of Bloomfield, having had experience in the past with disposal works constructed within or near its borders, realizes that such disposal works invariably constitute a nuisance to the community wherein they are located, that they are a menace to the comfort, if not the health, of its inhabitants and seriously injure the value of the property of the municipality wherein they are located;

"Now therefore, be it resolved by the Town Council of the town of Bloomfield, that this council most heartily condemns and vigorously protests against the selfish and unneighborly conduct of the town of Montclair and the cities of Orange and East Orange, in seeking to locate their disposal works partly within this town, thereby seriously and financially injuring the said town for their own pecuniary benefit."

And be it further resolved, that this council pledge the people of the town to take all possible steps

nor effort in contesting in the courts the rights of the said neighboring municipalities to so injure this town for their own financial benefit."

The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote. Mayor Hauser expressed himself as very much in sympathy with the spirit of the resolution, and requested that copies of it be sent to the Belleville and Nutley Town Councils, which the clerk was instructed to do.

The mayor said that he had not hitherto been an ardent advocate of the recall, but since Governor Wilson had, by his veto of a bill of such consequence to Bloomfield, Belleville and Nutley, so flagrantly gone back on his much boasted advocacy of home rule, he would favor an application of the recall in the governor's case.

According to the governor's invitation to speak here on the occasion of the centennial celebration, the mayor said he could not see how he could expect a cordial welcome from the people here.

Mr. Sadler said that he would also like to see an expression of appreciation on the part of the council to those who had worked so hard to get House bill No. 26 through the House and Senate, and he moved a vote of thanks to Assemblyman William M. Beard of Glen Ridge, Freeholder Seymour P. Gilbert and the Board of Trade. His motion was unanimously adopted. Mr. Sadler announced that at the next meeting of the council he would have a recommendation to make in regard to the Passaic valley sewer contract matter.

Galenon-Mishell.

Miss Libbie Mishell, daughter of Mrs. Yetta Mishell of Maois avenue, and Louis Galenon, a student at the New York University, were married Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Henry Garlock, sister of the bride, 306 West Fifty-sixth street, New York. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York. The bride was attended by her niece, Miss Florence Garlock, of New York, as bridesmaid, while Henry Garlock was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Galenon will make their home here for the present. A reception to the couple was held Sunday night at the home of the bride's mother.

Protest Against Wilson.

At the regular monthly meeting of Phoenix Hose Company, No. 1, held Wednesday night, a resolution was adopted by unanimous vote, instructing the secretary of the company to write to the Town Council and state that if Governor Wilson is to be the chief orator on the occasion of the centennial celebration, the members of Phoenix Hose Company requested to be excused by the council from parading in the centennial parade.

We carry the seed that never fails. Quality always pays. Try it—Owen & Cadmus.

Storm Water Troubles.

The disposal of storm water is a problem that is demanding increasing attention of the town officials each successive year.

The recent heavy rainstorms have developed an acute stage of the difficult work at the present time, and many cases of serious damage from accumulation of storm water have been brought to the attention of the Town Council, with a request, in some instances a demand, that the council take action toward remedying the trouble. To meet these various requests and demands with any degree of promptness would take a great deal more money than the council is in a position to raise, and there are some cases where it is doubtful whether the conditions would warrant the council spending the public money in applying a remedy. These cases are where private property that is flooded with water below the grade of the fronting street, and where it is obvious that the owner can remedy the trouble by filling in his property and which the owner will eventually have to do before he can use his property for building purposes. It is self-evident that the council cannot take official cognizance of such cases. Any nuisance arising from them will rest in an exercise of the Board of Health power to compel the owner to abate a nuisance.

In cases where the physical conditions are such as to require it, the Town Council is applying the effective remedy of a storm sewer and several projects of that kind are now before the council, for two of which, namely, the James street storm sewer and the Glenwood avenue storm sewer, bids were opened Monday night and contracts will be awarded at the next meeting of the council.

Another storm sewer project that the council has under consideration is one for draining the tract of land between Montgomery street and the Erie Railroad, south of Orchard street. That is an old and troublesome problem that has been before the town officials for several years, and one reason why it has not been carried out before is that the impression has prevailed that it was more a private duty than a public one. Owing to developments in that section of the town, and the large increase in population there, the time has come when it is imperatively necessary to act, and a plan for a storm sewer is now in the hands of the sewer committee. Another drainage problem of long standing was brought up Monday night when residents of Washington

and Orange streets

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wants Forty Thousand Dollars More to Complete New High School — Bathing, Dancing and Manual Training Discussed — Board of Estimate Meets Thursday Night.

When the Board of School Estimate meets next Thursday night, it will be asked to approve, in addition to the \$58,000 for current expenses of the schools, a \$62,000 issue of school bonds, \$40,000 of which is to be applied to finishing the new High School, and \$22,000 to the remodelling of the old High School building into a grammar school.

The above were the sums that were deemed necessary for the above work, at a meeting of the Board of Education, held Monday night. Mayor Hauser is a member of the Board of Estimate, and as the administration is faced with a considerable increased tax rate this year, the mayor may advocate a vigorous use of the pruning knife with respect to the school board's financial demands.

In addition to financial matters, the school board members discussed bathing, dancing and manual training Monday night.

Mr. Martin of the building committee, in speaking upon the equipment of the new High School, said that among other things with which it was proposed to equip the building, was shower baths, for both boys and girls.

Mr. Brown outlined a model system of baths that he had inspected in a recent visit to a New York city grammar school. Considerable discussion ensued over the bathing proposition as to the material to be used in the construction of the bathing rooms. Slate, copper and opaque glass were considered, but final selection was left to the judgment of the building committee.

The dancing proposition came up in connection with the Social Centre work at the Berkely school, under the auspices of the Women's Town Improvement Association.

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Orange Street Sewer.

On motion of Councilman Henry Albinson Monday night, the report of the Board of Assessors levying the assessment for the Orange street storm sewer, was referred back to the board for readjustment of the assessments. Mr. Albinson contended that the Orange street storm sewer construction was made necessary by the railroad improvement contract, and under that contract the town was obliged to make provision for taking care of the Watsessing avenue surface water and the waste water from the Westinghouse Lamp Company, and in his opinion, the town, the Westinghouse Lamp Company and the railroad company ought to pay the cost of the sewer and not the Orange street property owners.

Mr. Albinson claimed that the assessments were unequal and unfair. The John M. Dodd estate, he said, which derived but little benefit from the sewer, was assessed nearly as much as the Westinghouse Lamp Company, one of the chief beneficiaries, and a direct cause of the necessity for the sewer.

Mr. Albinson cited other instances in

the list of assessment that in his

opinion should be changed. The council

will be confronted with litigation in endeavoring to enforce the assessments as set forth in the report.

Harry Maier, the hardware dealer,

Nos. 448-451 Bloomfield avenue, is dis

playing a large new stock of Yale &

Towne blunt door checks, and is also

making a fine window display of gen

eral hardware.—Adv.

Dr. C. J. Neff, Surgeon Chiroprat

ist, treats all feet ailments. Office room

No. 2 Trust Company building.—Adv.

TOWN COUNCIL

Contractors in Lively Competition For Public Work — To Purchase Horses for Fire Department — Appropriation for Park Land Purchase.

Contractors for public work were in the majority in the large assemblage present at the regular meeting of the Town Council Monday night.

Five bids for the James street storm sewer were read by the clerk, six for the Glenwood and Maois avenues storm sewer, four for the Willard avenue concrete gutter, and four for supplying cast iron pipe and special castings to the water department. The bids were all referred to committees.

The clerk reported no objections to the East Passaic avenue and Willow street extensions.

Mr. Unangst of the building committee submitted the report of Building Inspector George M. Cadmus showing 20 permits for new buildings granted during March and four permits for alterations and work, aggregating in value \$60,470, and \$62 collected in fees.

Mr. Unangst also reported that the owner, Mr. McGuinness, had torn down the dilapidated building on the west side of Bloomfield avenue, near Orange street, which the council had been endeavoring to have done for some time.

Mr. Hauser expressed much satisfaction with the report.

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Mr. Murray of the finance committee recommended the purchase of a team of horses at a cost not to exceed \$700, for use in drawing the combination chemical and hose wagon